

**R15-36**  
**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE**  
**CALLING ON THE LEGISLATURE TO FIX THE TRANSPORTATION TRUST**  
**FUND AND UNFREEZE FUNDING TO MUNICIPALITIES**

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Transportation (DOT) has suspended local transportation aid to municipalities where the importance of fully functioning, safe infrastructure is paramount; and

**WHEREAS**, fixing the Transportation Trust Fund will not only improve infrastructure, but it will take the burden off local taxpayers and local budgets, that couldn't possible afford to undertake the cost of road reconstruction; and

**WHEREAS**, in addition to freezing these funds, the DOT will begin to inspect almost 300 of NJ's structurally deficient bridges, with the implication being that any bridge deemed unsafe for public use will be closed to traffic immediately; and

**WHEREAS**, the crippling impact on communities when there are closures will only be avoided if our leaders in Trenton take action now to fix the Transportation Trust Fund; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the governing body of the Borough of Merchantville strongly urges the Legislature to fix the Transportation Trust Fund and unfreeze funding to municipalities; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a copy of this duly adopted resolution be forwarded to Senate President Stephen Sweeney, Assembly Speaker Vincent Prieto and Governor Chris Christie.

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EDWARD F. BRENNAN, Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Denise L. Brouse, Borough Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by Mayor and Council of the Borough of Merchantville, County of Camden and State of New Jersey at their meeting of February 23, 2015.

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Denise L. Brouse, Borough Clerk

